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The Honorable Laura Thielen
State Historic Preservation Officer
Historic Preservation Division
Department of Land & Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
601 Kamokila Boulevard, Suite 555
Kakuhihewa Building
Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

Attention: Dr. Pua Aiu, SHPD Administrator

Dear Ms. Thielen:

Subject: Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project

Section 106 Mitigation/Programmatic Agreement Discussion

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and City and County of Honolulu (City) invite a representative of your organization to a pair of consulting parties' meetings to discuss the Programmatic Agreement under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended), that includes additional sampling and mitigation measures, for the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project. The first meeting will be held on July 28, 2009, and the second will follow on August 4, 2009. Both meetings will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Laniakea YWCA, 1040 Richards Street, in Honolulu.

As you are aware, the FTA and City have determined that the project will have an adverse effect on historic resources. At this time, the City is continuing consultation with the State Historic Preservation Division to resolve the effect determinations on a limited number of resources. The City has completed preliminary review of archaeological resources and iwi kupuna in the project corridor. No known resources will be affected by the Project, but the City will complete additional investigations in advance of construction.

We anticipate that the remaining effect determinations will be resolved by the time of the first meeting, and we will be pleased to brief you regarding the outcome of this consultation. With effect determinations resolved, we will be able to engage in productive discussions regarding additional investigations and commitments, as well as mitigation measures for adverse effects, proposed in the project's draft Programmatic Agreement, which is attached. We ask that the person who represents your organization at this meeting be someone authorized to speak on its behalf and represent its interests.

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For those parties that are unable to attend the meeting, you may participate by calling in to 1-888-742-8686 — Confirmation ID 3784294.

Please let us know how you will be participating in this meeting by contacting Ms. Danielle Yoshioka at (808) 768-6170 or yoshiokad@pbworld.com. Should you have any questions regarding these meetings or any preliminary comments on the Programmatic Agreement, please contact Ms. Faith Miyamoto of the Rapid Transit Division at (808) 768-8350 or fmiyamoto@honolulu.gov.

We are excited to have the opportunity to bring all the consulting parties together and look forward to working with you as we finalize the Programmatic Agreement. Thank you for your continued interest in this project.

WAYNE Y. YOSHIOKA

Director

Attachment